

Temple Sinai Board of Trustees Meeting Notes
Meeting- 9/3/24

Attendees	Present	Attendees	Present	Attendees	Present
Stephanie Podolak	X	Gerald Lassow	X		
Dave Eisner	X	Janette Amayo	X	Rachel Narcissi	X
Jonathan Falk	X	Emily Yates	X	Terri Tilliss	
Phyllis Babich	X	Rob Eber		Lisa Meer Weiss	X
Ana Koser	X	Melanie Wiseman	X	Eddie Yenkinson	X
Marshall Tobin	X	Jean Guthery	X		
Kathy Zeiger	X	Rebecca Hea Wilson	X		
Jim Stone	X				
Rabbi R. Rheins	X	Lisa Thorner	X	Doni Kaye	X
Rabbi M. Shields	X	Ruthie Lipshulch	X	Sheila Purdin	X
Debbie Foster	X				

6:00 p.m.-7:35 p.m.

I. D'Var Torah: Rabbi Rheins

II. Old Business

A. Introductions. This is the 1st board meeting for 2024. All members went around and introduced themselves and said what they would like to do/bring to Temple Sinai on the board this year.

B. Review/Acceptance of Minutes: Stephanie Podolak

1. Motion to approve: Marshall Tobin
 Second: Kathy Zeiger
 Motion passes

C. Update on Outdoor Space/Solar Grant: Lisa Thorner

1. Updates: Lisa has been working with Stuart Bombell on the money that was raised for Phase II of the outdoor space. The idea is to create a more permanent outdoor space, with a sport court, outdoor grill, a gaga pit. Goal is to raise more money and begin implementing things in the spring.
2. Solar Grant: Lauren Bubis has been working with the City of Denver on the grant that we received in the amount of \$50,000. In order to put the solar on the building, we have to make sure the roof/ceiling are in order first. This work will only day about a month once it is started, and the work should begin in the Spring. The solar panels will help Temple Sinai be more energy efficient, which follows new city guidelines.
3. Other updates, the stained-glass window shield has been fixed

III. New Business: Lisa Thorner/Stephanie Podolak

- A. New Board/EC Meeting Dates. New dates were distributed due to some scheduling conflicts

Board Retreat will be on 9/15/24 @ 9 am

A Goal to think about at the retreat is how do we as a Board think about recruiting and where do we want to put our efforts this year. Think about various communities and what's working and what is not working. How do we engage out members?

- B. Security Meeting-Part 2 will take place.

All board members and staff are encouraged to be there. Very informational and educational especially with High Holy Days coming up

- C. High Holy Days

Phone call lists will be distributed to Board members for member reach outs. Board Presence and Ushering

- D. Finances: Phyllis Babich

The Latest and Greatest we have is June of 2024. They are working on being able to pull reports for each committee when needed.

Our current financial position is good.

Conversion to ACH for dues has been a success. We are \$35,000 over budget on Security Fees than we were at this time last year.

Trying to streamline and make the budget easier to find donation items on it.

- H. Fundraising: Rabbi Shields

Chai 5 was a big success last year. A way for everyone to say we are building Sinai together. What should we do to plan with Hannukah again this year? Main focus of fundraising and investment is on religious school this year. Where do we want priorities to be?

Annual Event: Lisa Thorner

It will be in May 2025. Thinking of ideas and themes and will discuss more at the retreat.